CANDIDATE SURVEY RESPONSES

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This publication is a free, nonpartisan service provided by Citizens Project to encourage informed voting and voter turnout. Candidates were asked to limit their responses to 50 words or less. No editing for grammar, punctuation, or spelling was done to the responses. Responses can also be viewed on our website: www.CitizensProject.org.

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Pikes Peak Equality Coalition Collaborates for Candidate Survey

The Candidate Survey included in this Freedom Watch issue has an exciting new feature! For the first time ever, the questions in the survey were compiled by a coalition of organizations in Colorado Springs.

The Pikes Peak Equality Coalition (PPEC) is a roundtable of non-profit organizations in the Pikes Peak region. PPEC shares the values of justice and equality, personal privacy, and vibrant and sustainable community.

PPEC wanted to provide the citizens of Colorado Springs with one comprehensive Candidate Survey for the April 2007 Municipal Elections, rather than each organization printing their own. The survey on the following pages was created by PPEC in hopes of educating citizens on all the city council and mayoral candidates and on the issues that are most important to all PPEC organizations.

We hope that you enjoy reading this collaborated survey! To learn more about PPEC and/or to join the coalition, please email minister@hpcuu.org.

PPEC organizations include: ACLU of Colorado, Citizens Project, Colorado Progressive Coalition, Colorado Unity, Inter-Religious Clergy Alliance, League of Women Voters – Pikes Peak Region, NAACP, Pikes Peak Gay and Lesbian Community Center, Pikes Peak Justice and Peace Commission, Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains, and TESSA.

City Council & The Equal Opportunity Ordinance

By Ryan Acker, Executive Director of the Pikes Peak Gay and Lesbian Community Center

Since the early 1990's, securing equal access to the law in matters of employment, housing, and public accommodations has been an ongoing struggle for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people in Colorado. In 1992, the discussion of adding sexual orientation to Colorado Springs' nondiscrimination policies came to a screeching halt when Colorado Springs-based groups, like Focus on the Family and Colorado for Family Values, urged the passage of Amendment 2—a constitutional measure designed to bar gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people from having equal access to employment, housing, and public accommodations. Fortunately, Colorado courts overturned the measure; and in 1996, the United States Supreme Court said in regards to Amendment 2, "...this, Colorado cannot do."

Since 1996, several attempts have been made to secure equal opportunity for LGBT people in the Pikes Peak region. On October 9, 2006, the Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center appeared before City Council in response to continued reports of discrimination faced by LGBT people in Colorado Springs. They requested that the City Council enact a broad-based Equal Opportunity Ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, military status, or physical or mental disability in matters of employment, housing and commercial space, public accommodations, education and health, and welfare services within the City of Colorado Springs. Following the presentation, Mayor Rivera stated that the council would require guidance from the City Attorney's office before making any decisions about an Equal Opportunity Ordinance.

On November 14, 2006, Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center (also known as the Pride Center) officials received a phone call from Mayor Rivera. He stated he had received a conclusion from the City Attorney's office indicating the following: 1) Discrimination based on sexual orientation is already prohibited in matters of City employment, the City's landlord tenant policies, City-run education programs, and City-owned public accommodations; and 2) The City does not have the authority to pass a nondiscrimination policy that would affect privately held businesses and organizations. According to the City Attorney's office, Citizens Project's "Resolution Promoting Goodwill and Mutual Respect and Condemning Racism and Discrimination in Colorado Springs" (drafted in 2003) provides the necessary language to protect GLBT from discrimination.

Although Mayor Rivera's response sounded reasonable on the surface, his statements and the related documents leave some unanswered questions. If LGBT people already have protections, where can they go, and who can they contact if their rights are violated? Secondly, why does Colorado Springs not have the authority to pass a policy that would impact privately held businesses when, in fact, the cities of Denver and Boulder already have city-wide policies? Private businesses are already held accountable to other federal and state standards of nondiscrimination including race, religion, and gender.

On December 4, 2006, the Pride Center sent a letter to the City Attorney's Office requesting written confirmation of the policies, and they

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2007 BALLOT ISSUES

Issue A:
Issue A would remove all obsolete references to the City Treasurer in the Charter of the City of Colorado Springs.

Issue B:
Issue B would provide term limitations for Mayor. It states that no one person should be elected to office of Mayor for more than two consecutive terms, however, an individual may serve more than two terms if the terms are not consecutive.

Issue C:
Issue C would grant the Mayor and Councilmembers an annual stipend of $12,000.

Issue D:
Issue D would amend Ordinance 1856 so that the responsibilities of the City Manager do not include general supervision & control over the management of Memorial Health System.

Issue E:
Issue E would grant a nonexclusive franchise to Panoptic, Inc., DBA Porchlight Communications, Inc. ("Porchlight") "to construct, operate, and maintain a cable television system and to provide cable television services within the city of Colorado Springs."

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VOTING INFORMATION

Ballots Mailed: Wednesday, March 14

Election Date: Tuesday, April 3
Ballots must be received by the City Clerk by 7:00 PM

City Council Candidate Forum: *March 13th - 6:00 PM*
Carnegie Room in Penrose Library, 20 North Cascade Ave

More Information on Election Activities/Events
Call: Erin at (719) 520-9899 Email: erin@citizensproject.org Ask about volunteer opportunities!

Q&A

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1. What is your vision for the future of Colorado Springs?	*1.¿Cuál es su visión para el futuro de Colorado Springs?*	**1.** Colorado Springs – the community of choice for living, working and leisure.	*1.Colorado Springs – La comunidad de elección para vivir, trabajar y tener más tiempo libre.*	**1.** A city the citizens tell us how good they have it. Not visa versa.	*1.Una ciudad en la cuál los ciudadanos nos dicen lo bueno que tiene la ciudad. No vice versa.*
2. What steps should the city council take to better serve marginalized community members, such as the working poor and the homeless? What improvements can be made regarding affordable housing, mass transit, and social programs?	*2.¿Qué pasos debe tomar el consejo de la ciudad para mejorar y servir a los miembros de la comunidad marginalizados, tales como la comunidad pobre obrera y los indigentes? Qué mejoras pueden hacerse acerca de la vivienda económica, la transportación masiva y los programas sociales?*	**2.** We should continue to partner with Pikes Peak United Way, Homeward Pikes Peak, and other non-profits to better serve the homeless, working poor and those in need of affordable housing.	*2.Debemos continuar asociandonos con Pikes Peak United Way, Homeward Pikes Peak, y otras organizaciones no lucrativas para servir mejor a los indigentes, la gente obrera pobre y esas personas que necesitan vivienda económica.*	**2.** We need our government to be conservators of our assets and use them in the best interest of all citizens of Colorado Springs.	*2.Necesitamos que nuestros gobiernos sean conservadores de nuestro comercio y que lo usen para el mejor interes de todos nuestros ciudadanos de Colorado Springs.*
3. Given this city's religious diversity, what role should personal faith play in decision making on city council?	*3.Dada la diversidad de religiones en la ciudad, ¿Qué papel debe jugar la fé personal en las decisiones del consejo de la ciudad?*	**3.** Decisions should be made based on what is best for our community.	*3.Las decisiones deben ser basadas en el beneficio para la comunidad.*	**3.** We should always make the decision best for our community as a whole.	*3.Siempre debemos tomar la mejor decisión para toda nuestra comunidad*
4. Would you support passing the Equal Opportunity ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on: race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, military status or physical or mental disability in matters of employment, housing and commercial space, public accommodations, education and health and welfare services within the City of Colorado Springs?	*4.¿Apoyaría usted la aprobación de la Ordenanza de Igualdad que prohibe la discriminación basada en la raza, el color, la religión, origen nacional, el género, la edad, la orientación sexual, el género de identidad, el estatus marital, el estatus militar ó la discapacidad mental ó física en asuntos de empleo, vivienda y espacio comercial, alojamiento público, servicios de educación, salud y asistencia pública dentro de la Ciudad de Colorado Springs?*	**4.** No. The City Council has passed a resolution covering Equal Opportunity. The City does not have jurisdiction to pass an ordinance covering other entities outside city government.	*4.No. El Consejo de la Ciudad ha pasado una resolución que cubre la Oportunidad de Igualdad. La Ciudad no tiene jurisdicción para aprobar una ordenanza que cubre otras entidades fuera del gobierno de la ciudad.*	**4.** No. We already have laws stating this.	*4.No. Ya tenemos leyes declarando esto.*
5. How can city council improve the relationship between citizens and law enforcement personnel, with a goal of reducing urban crime and racial profiling?	5.¿Comó puede el consejo de la ciudad mejorar la relación entre los ciudadanos y el personal que enforza las leyes, con una meta de disminuir el crimen urbano y el perfil racial?	**5.** I am not aware of racial profiling issues. We can put increased emphasis on community oriented policing.	*5.Yo no tengo conciencia de temas de perfil racial. Podriamos aumentar el énfasis en la vigilancia comunitaria*	**5.** We need to give our law enforcement the tools and capability to serve and protect our citizens. Then we need to work with community to make our City unpleasant for criminals.	*5.Necesitamos darle a las leyes que enforzan la seguridad las herramientas y la capacidad para protejer y servir a nuestros ciudadanos. Luego necesitamos trabajar con la comunidad para hacer a la ciudad desagradable para los criminales.*
6. Our community includes a growing immigrant population, many of whom are undocumented. What role should the city have in helping these families integrate with the greater community?	6.Nuestra comunidad incluye una creciente población inmigrante, muchos de los cuales son indocumentados. ¿Qué papel debe tener la ciudad para ayudar a estas familias a integrarse con la comunidad?	**6.** We should enforce recently passed state immigration laws and ensure we have a safe City for all of our residents.	*6.Debemos enforzar las recientes leyes estatales aprobadas para asegurar que tengamos una Ciudad segura para todos nuestros residentes.*	**6.** We need our government to be conservators of our assets and use them in the best interest of all citizens of Colorado Springs.	*6.Necesitamos que nuestros gobiernos sean conservadores de nuestro comercio y que lo usen para el mayor interés de todos los ciudadanos de Colorado Springs.*
7. Studies show that cities that promote diversity, especially regarding sexual orientation, have greater economic success. How can you use this knowledge to ensure greater economic development of Colorado Springs?	*7.Los estudios muestran que las ciudades que promueven la diversidad, especialmente con respecto a la orientación sexual, han tenido un mayor éxito económico. ¿Comó puede usted usar este conocimiento para asegurar el mayor desarrollo económico para Colorado Springs?*	**7.** I will continue to promote our City as a community that welcomes all people who desire to make a positive contribution.	*7.Continuare promoviendo nuestra Ciudad como la comunidad que le da la bienvenida a todas las personas que deseen hacer una contribución positiva.*	**7.** We need our government to be conservators of our assets and use them in the best interest of ALL citizens of Colorado Springs.	*7.Necesitamos que nuestros gobiernos sean conservadores de nuestro comercio y que lo usen para el mayor interés de TODOS los ciudadanos de Colorado Springs.*
8. What are you going to do, as a city council member, to help end violence against women in this community?	*8.Qué hara usted, como miembro del consejo de la ciudad, para ayudar a terminar con la violencia en contra de las mujeres en esta comunidad?*	**8.** I will continue to support responsible organizations that work to raise awareness and those that work to end the violence.	*8.Continuare apoyando a las organizaciones responsables que trabajan para concientizar y para los que trabajan para terminar con al violencia.*	**8.** We need to give our law enforcement the tools and capability to serve and protect	*8.Necesitamos darle a las leyes que enforzar la seguridad las herramientas y la capacidad para servir y protejer.*
9. Do you support the teaching of comprehensive, medically accurate, sex education, including information about both abstinence and contraception, in public schools?	*9.¿Apoya usted la enseñanza amplia que incluye la educación sexual médica, incluyendo la información acerca de la abstinencia y anticoncepción, en las escuelas públicas?*	**9.** No. I do not know what you mean by comprehensive.	*9.No. No entiendo que quiere decir con enseñanza amplia.*	**9.** Yes	*9.Sí*
10. What is your view on how trails, open space, and parks contribute to quality of life in Colorado Springs? Should it be a priority for city funding?	*10.¿Cuál es su opinión sobre como los caminos, los espacios abiertos, y los parques contribuyen a la calidad de vida en Colorado Springs? ¿Debería ser una prioridad para los fondos de la ciudad?*	**10.** Trails, open space and parks are a valuable amenity for our City. We should continue to maximize our use of TOPS, GOCO, Lottery and other funding.	*10.Los caminos, los espacios abiertos y los parques son valiosos para nuestra Ciudad. Debemos continuar aumentando nuestros TOPS, GOCO, Lotería y otros fondos.*	**10.** Yes we need more funding from our general fund and other assets the city has.	*10.Sí necesitamos más fondos de nuestro fondo general y de otras pertenencias que tiene la ciudad.*

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1. To have more community involvement in the say so of what happens in the city. I feel that people are ignored even though they are the taxpayers the current local politics finds whatever it can to avoid being honest with the people of the community. I feel there is a big division and I want to close that gap.	*1.Tener más participación de la comunidad sobre lo que pasa en la ciudad. Yo pienso que las personas son ignoradas aún cuando estas son las personas que pagan impuestos y las cuales la política local evita ser honesta con ellos. Yo pienso que esta es una gran division y la cuál yo quiero cerrar el hueco.*	**1.** Growth for the good! Ensure ALL citizens are involved with my decisions. Allow citizens direct communication with me. No more "build and run" tactics. Downtown, the heart of the city. Reward First Responders. Traffic-light timing re-design. Improved road surfaces. Re-prioritize plowing. More pet friendly parks. Expand city news sharing format.	*1.¡Crecimiento Bueno! Asegurar que TODOS los ciudadanos participen en mis decisiones. Permitirle a los ciudadanos comunicación directa conmigo. No mas tacticas de "crear y correr". El centro, el corazón de la ciudad. Recompensar a los Primeros que Respondan. Re-diseño de las Luces de tráfico. El mejoramiento de la superficie de las carreteras. Poner prioridad de Nuevo al arado. Más parques disponibles para las mascotas. Expander el formato de compartir las noticias de la ciudad.*
2. I am no expert on the homeless I do believe that some type of work program to get assistance would improve ones self esteem to get some type of assistance I feel that a person must have self worth along with getting assistance. On mass transit if I had the power to change it I would have at least as many routes as we have now...	*2.Yo no soy experto en los indigentes pero si creo que algún tipo de programa de asistencia mejorara la autoestima para conseguir algún tipo de asistencia. Yo pienso que una persona debe tener valor personal al conseguir asistencia. Acerca de la transportación masiva sí yo tuviera el poder de cambiarlo tendría por lo menos tantos recorridos como tenemos ahora.....*	**2.**To better serve, the biggest step would be to get out there and walk and talk with these people. Learn about them and see what they have to say. Many good ideas may come from their mouths. Improvements could be made with additional help from willing developers who would provide affordable labor to help rebuild areas, with more free or affordable transit for those in need.	*2.Para servir mejor, el paso más grande debe ser salir a caminar y hablar con las personas. Saber acerca de ellos y saber lo que ellos tienen que decir. Muchas ideas buenas pueden salir de sus bocas. Mejoras pueden llevarse a cabo con ayuda adicional de promotores disponibles quienes pueden proveer trabajo económico para ayudar a reconstruir areas, con más transportación económica ó gratuita para aquellos que lo necesiten.*
3. Personal faith has nothing on my decisions. I respect everyone's religion. I think it is crazy that religion should be in government at all in any aspect. I respect any religion whether it is Christianity Buddhist Islam, Hindu however it has no place in politics whatsoever.	*3.La fé personal no tiene nada que ver con mis decisiones. Yo respeto la religión de todos. Pienso que es loco pensar que la religión debe ser incluida en ningún aspecto en el gobierno. Yo respeto cualquier religión ya sea la Cristiana, Budista, Islamica, Hindu sin embargo no tiene lugar en la política.*	**3.** Faith is good to carry in your heart, but should not be a decision factor in your vote. Your vote is best served when focused on what is good for the city and its citizens. You're elected to serve the people who elected you, so serve them!	*3.La fé es buena para llevarla en su corazón, pero no debe ser un factor de decision en su voto. Su voto es mejor servicio cuando se enfoca en lo que es bueno para la ciudad y sus ciudadanos. ¡Usted es elegido para servir a las personas que lo eligieron, asi es que sirvales!*
4. Yes	*4.Sí*	**4.** YES.	*4.SÍ*
5. I feel that at this point that the law enforcement is being used to generate revenue. I have utmost respect for law enforcement but I feel that the city council has misused the law enforcement community and people in the community are very angry about this.	*5.Siento que a este punto las leyes que enforzan la seguridad estan siendo usadas para generar ingresos. Tengo el mayor respeto por las leyes que enforzan la seguridad pero siento que el consejo de la ciudad a hecho uso indebido de la comunidad que enforza las leyes y las personas en la comunidad estan muy enojadas por esto.*	**5.** Provide more opportunity to have officers meet with citizens on a regular basis. Walking patrols focusing on community relations rather than crime patrol would be a good start in some areas. Meet and greet those citizens you serve. Spread good karma with all people.	*5.Proveer más oportunidad para tener oficiales que se reunan con los ciudadanos regularmente. Patrullas caminando que se enfoquen en las relaciones con la comunidad es un buen comienzo en algunas areas. Conocer y reunirse con esos ciudadanos a los que sirven. Provide more opportunity to have officers meet with citizens on a regular basis. Walking patrols focusing on community relations rather than crime patrol would be a good start in some areas. Meet and greet those citizens you serve. Difundir un buen sentimiento con todas las personas.*
6. I feel that the immigrant problem cannot be really handled locally. I feel that it is a problem that has never been addressed. I do feel immigrants should pay taxes. I do not blame it on the immigrants at all. If I were put into the same situation as them I would do the same thing to make a better life for my children and family and myself.	*6.Siento que el problema de los inmigrantes no puede ser manejado localmente. Siento que es un problema el cual nunca ha sido tratado. Sí pienso que los inmigrantes deben pagar impuestos. Yo no culpo a los inmigrantes para nada. Sí yo estuviera en al misma situación que ellos haría lo mismo para darle una mejor vida a mis hijos a mi familia y a mi mismo.*	**6.** Each person, regardless of immigration status can provide positive input to the city. All persons who live within our city limits support the city in one way or another, via sales taxes at a minimum. We should provide help and guidance to all who request our help.	*6.Cada persona, sin importer su estatus migratorio puede aportar algo positive a la ciudad. Todas las personas que viven dentro de los limites de la ciudad apoyan a la ciudad de alguna forma ú otra, a travez de los impuestos de ventas por lo mínimo. Debemos proveer ayuda y orientación a todos los que pidan la ayuda.*
7. Take religion out of politics would be a great start.	*7.Sacar a la religión de la política sería un gran comienzo.*	**7.** I would support ALL citizens of Colorado Springs, regardless of their sexual orientation and request that all on city council follow my lead. My support would be pro-active with participation in sponsored events and meetings a big part of that support.	*7.Yo apoyo a TODOS los ciudadanos de Colorado Springs, sin importar su orientación sexual y pido que todo el consejo de la ciudad siga mi ejemplo. Mi apoyo sera pro-activo con mi participación en eventos y reuniones siendo una gran parte del apoyo patrocinado.*
8. I feel that violence happens to everyone including men and women I feel that services in Colorado springs are great at this point to help someone in need. I may need to be educated more though if my views are wrong on this but I do not know enough about it to say one way or another.	*8.Siento que la violencia le pasa a todos hombres y mujeres. Siento que los servicios en Colorado Springs son magnificos ahora para ayudar a las personas que lo necesitan. Talvez tenga que educado más sí mi punto de vista esta mal pero no se mucho para hablar de una manera ú otra sobre esto.*	**8.** Any violence is unacceptable, but violence against women, which seems to be on the rise, should be combated with extreme legal measures. I have participated in numerous "Take back the night" marches, and my continued and strengthened support would be a promise.	*8.Cualquier violencia es inaceptable, pero la violencia en contra de las mujeres, la cual parece estar aumentando, debe ser combatida con medidas legales extremas. Yo he participado en numerosas marchas de 'Retomemos la noche', y mi apoyo fortalecido continuo sera un promesa.*
9. Yes	*9.Sí*	**9.** YES.	*9.Sí.*
10. I feel at this point the open spaces funding is sufficient at this point I would not decrease funding however at this point I would not increase funding. I would however put youth to work cleaning the parks if there were in minor legal trouble.	*10.Siento que en este momento los fondos para los espacios abiertos son suficientes. Yo no disminuiria los fondos pero sin embargo en este momento no aumentaria los fondos. Sin embargo si pondria a los adolecentes a limpiar los parquet sí tuvieran algún problema legal menor.*	**10.** Gen Palmer's vision for his city was to have many open parks for the people. A focus on parks is a must if we are to remain a healthy and happy city. Continued funding for these outdoor treasures is a must!	*10.La vision de Gen Palmer para su ciudad era tener muchos parques abiertos para la gente. El enfoque en los parques deber mantenerse si queremos permanecer una ciudad feliz y saludable. ¡Los fondos continuos para estos tesoros al aire libre deben continuar!*

Q&A

AT-LARGE CANDIDATES

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	Larry Small		Tom Gallagher	
1. What is your vision for the future of Colorado Springs?	**1.** Springs will have neighborhoods surrounding a well planned downtown that offers unique shops, businesses, arts and entertainment. Each neighborhood will have its own personality. It will have parks, trails and open space, cultural events, good schools, higher education, diversity of jobs and a clean environment. Everyone will be welcome.	*1.Colorado Springs tendra vecindarios circundantes a un centro de la ciudad bierl planeado que ofrezca tiendas unicas, negocios, artes y entretenimiento. Cada vecindario tendra su propia personalidad. Tendra parques, caminos y espacios abiertos, eventos culturales, buenas escuelas, educación de alto nivel, diversos trabajos y un medio ambiente limpio. Todos seran bienvenidos.*	**1.** Colorado Springs has leveled the playing field, where success results from the dedication, determination, and drive, of the individual citizen. It is a city where dissenting opinion is recognized as a right granted by the U.S. constitution. It has developed the infrastructure, both intellectual and capital that supports this vision.	*1.Colorado Springs ha nivelado el campo de juego, donde el triunfo es resultado de la dedicación, determinación, e impulso del ciudadano individual. Es una ciudad donde la opinión de disentir es reconocida como un derecho dado por la constitución de E.U. Ha desarrollado la infraestructura, de dos maneras, intellectual y capital que apoya esta visión.*
2. What steps should the city council take to better serve marginalized community members, such as the working poor and the homeless? What improvements can be made regarding affordable housing, mass transit, and social programs?	**2.** Our General Fund helps these needs. Our Housing Authority has expanded our low income housing from 4000 units in 2003 to 7000 units in 2007. As Chairman, PPRTA Board, I help apply $7 million annually to expand transit services. We can do more by and facilitating community awareness and action.	*2.Nuestro Fondo General apoya estas necesidades. Nuestro Housing Authority ha extendido la vivienda de bajos ingresos de 4000 unidades en el 2003 a 7000 unidades en el 2007. Como Presidente del Consejo de PPRTA, ayudo a aplicar $7 millones anualmente para expandir los servicios de transportación. Podemos hacer más al facilitar y dar conciencia a la comunidad y tomar acción.*	**2.** The non-profit sector is encouraged to develop creative and innovative strategies that empower individual achievement ending the need for entitlements. Mass transit is required to operate an efficient interconnecting grid system; providing a convenient, functional, timely, and reliable transportation alternative; that supports the needs of our school districts, and commuting public.	*2.El sector no lucrativo es alentado a desarrollar estrategias creativas e innovadoras que impulsan el logro individual y asi terminar la necesidad de derecho. La transportación masiva es requerida para operar un sistema de reja interconectada eficiente; proporcionando una transportación alternativa conveniente, funcional, oportuna y fiable, que apoya las necesidades de nuestros distritos escolares y del público que viaja al trabajo.*
3. Given this city's religious diversity, what role should personal faith play in decision making on city council?	**3.** Personal faith is an individual philosophy. It is not something to be imposed on others. My ethics guide decisions, with the primary concern that all people be fairly represented. Council must act on information provided, testimony presented, and constraints we live under. Personal bias has no place in this process.	*3.La fé personal es una filosofia individual. No es algo que se pueda imponer a otros. Mi ética guia mis decisiones, siendo mi primer preocupación que todas las personas sean representadas justamente. El consejo debe actuar con la información proporcionada, presentando testimonio, y restricciones bajo las cuales vivimos. El prejuicio personal no tiene lugar en este proceso.*	**3.** Individual beliefs and values provide the strength of character to openly express, support, and advocate dissenting opinion. They are critical if the desire is to have policy decisions guided by objective analysis of all related issues, impacts, and perspectives. These belief structures are a critical component of representative government.	*3.Creencias individuales y los valores proporcionan la fortaleza de carácter para expresar abiertamente, apoyar, y de abogar por la opinión de disentir. Estos son criticos si se desea tener un póliza de decisiones que seran guiadas por un análisis de todas las cuestiones relacionadas, los impactos y las perspectivas. Estas estructuras de creencias son un componente critico del gobierno representante.*
4. Would you support passing the Equal Opportunity ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, military status or physical or mental disability in matters of employment, housing and commercial space, public accommodations, education and health and welfare services within the City of Colorado Springs?	**4.** I cannot answer Yes or No. Any discrimination is to be abhorred, but for this ordinance to be effective it must be accepted by the public. The best ordinances come through public process with stake holders involved. If this were to come through public process, I would support the outcome.	*4.No puedo contestar que Sí o que No. Cualquier discriminación debe ser detestada, pero para que esta ordenanza sea efectiva debe ser aceptada por el público. Las mejores ordenanzas vienen por el proceso público con los afectados participando en ellas. Sí esto viene por el proceso público apoyare el resultado.*	**4.** No. An ordinance is unnecessary in light of existing state and federal laws protecting the individual rights of our citizens. Compliance with existing law is not the result of additional legislation; it comes through enforcement.	*4.No. Una ordenanza es necesaria en luz de las leyes federales y estatales existentes que protejen los derechos individuales de todos nuestros ciudadanos. Cumplimiento de la ley existente no es el resultado de una legislación adicional; viene del cumplimiento.*
5. How can city council improve the relationship between citizens and law enforcement personnel, with a goal of reducing urban crime and racial profiling?	**5.** I met with the Police Chief and voiced my desire to have more friendly involvement with the community. Prevent issues with more neighborhood presence, more officers walking a downtown beat and more friendly interaction with the public. Council has a policy that profiling of any type will not be tolerated.	*5.Me reuní con el Jefe de la Policía y le exprese mi deseo de tener más participación amistosa con la comunidad. Impedir problemas con más presencia en los vecindarios, más oficiales caminando en el centro de la ciudad y más interacción amistosa con la comunidad. El consejo tiene una póliza de que ningun tipo de pérfil sera tolerado.*	**5.** Open and honest interaction with the community at large is required to dispel the perception of, or to identify and expose incident(s) of abuse of authority by law enforcement agencies. Your elected representatives are expected to exercise the oversight necessary to assure the accountability and transparency required of law enforcement activity.	*5.Interacción abierta y honesta con la comunidad en general es requerida para deshacerse de la percepción de, ó para identificar y exponer incidente(s) de abuso de autoridad por las agencias que enforzan las leyes. Se espera que tus representantes elegidos se hagan cargo para asegurarse el enforzamiento de leyes para lograr la transparencia y contabilidad de estas.*
6. Our community includes a growing immigrant population, many of whom are undocumented. What role should the city have in helping these families integrate with the greater community?	**6.** We must have a City where "Everybody's Welcome". Our Housing Authority helps with low income housing. We work with non-profits to help with other needs. We work to increase jobs. We work with the County to provide health and family services. Memorial Hospital will not turn anyone of need away.	*6.Debemos tener un Ciudad donde "Todos son Bienvenidos". Nuestro Housing Authority ayuda con la vivienda para personas de bajos recursos. Trabajamos con organizaciones no lucrativas para ayudar con otras necesidades. Trabajamos para aumentar el número de trabajos. Trabajamos con el Condado para proporcionar servicios de salud y familiars. El Hospital Memorial no le prohibira el servicio a nadie que lo necesite.*	**6.** I support legal immigration and the opportunity to earn citizenship practiced by this country. I do not support an open border policy that may compromise our national security obligations. It is internationally accepted that countries have the right to place limitations on immigration; typically mandating specific employment skills necessary to support their national interests.	*6.Yo apoyo la inmigración legal y la oportunidad de conseguir la ciudadania practicada por este país. Yo no apoyo una póliza de fronteras abiertas que puede poner en peligro nuestras obligaciones de seguridad nacional. Es internacionalmente aceptado que los países tengan el derecho de poner limitaciones en la inmigración; tipicamente poniendo un mandato de habilidades de empleo especificas para apoyar sus intereses nacionales.*
7. Studies show that cities that promote diversity, especially regarding sexual orientation, have greater economic success. How can you use this knowledge to ensure greater economic development of Colorado Springs?	**7.** Some say Colorado Springs is intolerant. Rather this is true or not is not relevant to economic development. What is relevant is the concern of intolerance, and we must work to remove that concern. Diversity must be encouraged. Everyone who can contribute to our community must be welcome and respected.	*7.Algunos dicen que Colorado Springs es Intolerante. Some say Colorado Springs is intolerant. Aunque esto sea verdad o no, nó es pertinente al desarrollo económico. Lo que si es pertinente es el asunto de intolerancia y debemos trabajar para eliminar esta preocupación. La diversidad debe ser fomentada. Todos los que puedan contribuir a nuestra comunidad deben ser bienvenidos y respetados.*	**7.** The Bill of Rights guarantees the individual right of self-determination for all citizens. That is the right to choose a belief system, make lifestyle choices and express opinions free from government interference. It carries the obligation to respect and tolerate the opinions, practices, and beliefs of others, particularly dissenting views.	*7.La Ley de Derechos garantiza el derecho individual de determinación propia de todos los ciudadanos. Ese es el derecho de escojer un sistema de creencias, tomas decisiones de estilo de vida y expresar opinions libremente de la interferencia del gobierno. Tiene la obligación de respetar y tolerar las opiniones, practices y creencias de otros, particularmente del punto de vista de disentir.*
8. What are you going to do, as a city council member, to help end violence against women in this community?	**8.** Violence against women, or anyone for that matter, cannot be tolerated. We need to work with the State Legislature and the DA to be sure our state statutes are strong and strictly applied by the courts. We need to promote awareness and prevention. We need safe houses for abused women.	*8.La violencia en contra de las mujeres, ó de cualquier persona, no debe ser tolerada. Necesitamos trabajar con la Legislatura Estatal y el DA para asegurar que los estatutos de nuestro estado sean fuertes y estrictamente aplicados por las cortes. Debemos promover conciencia y prevención. Necesitamos refugios seguros para la mujeres maltratadas.*	**8.** I do not beat my wife, nor do I pretend to understand the motivation of those that do. I find the action offensive and abhorrent. I encourage others to adopt my views on the subject.	*8.Yo no golpeo a mi esposa, ni tampoco pretendo entender la movitación de los que si lo hacen. Encuentro la acción ofensiva y detestable. Aliento a otros para que adopten mi punto de vista en este tema.*
9. Do you support the teaching of comprehensive, medically accurate, sex education, including information about both abstinence and contraception, in public schools?	**9.** Yes.	*9.SÍ.*	**9.** Yes.	*9.SÍ.*
10. What is your view on how trails, open space, and parks contribute to quality of life in Colorado Springs? Should it be a priority for city funding?	**10.** Trails, open space and parks receive $19 million from the General Fund and $6 million from the TOPS sales tax annually and are a priority. Recreational assets are critical to quality of life and were cited by MONEY magazine as one reason we were America's best large city in 2006.	*10.Los caminos, los espacios abiertos y los parques reciben $19 millones del Fondo General y $6 millones de los impuestos de ventas TOPS anualmente y son una prioridad. Las pertenencias recreacionales son críticas para la calidad de vida y fueron citadas por la revista MONEY como una de las rezones por las cuales somos la ciudad más grande de America en el 2006.*	**10.** The adoption and subsequent extension of the TOPS initiative shows the importance this community places on public open space, trails, and community parks. Maintenance of the existing inventory is an ongoing obligation of the city. It does not prioritize above the service delivery obligations to provide public safety services and maintenance of critical infrastructure.	*10.La adopción y extension posterior de la iniciativa de TOPS demuestra la importancia que la comunidad le da a estos lugares públicos de espacio abierto, caminos y parques comunitarios. El mantenimiento del inventario existente es una obligacion continua de la ciudad. Y no le da prioridad por encima de la entrega de obligaciones de servicio para proporcionar servicios de seguridad pública y mantenimiento de la infraestructura critica.*

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1. I'm passionate about making Colorado Springs a place that everybody can proudly call home; a city that is multi-cultural and multi-generational; a city where every person can live, work and play. Whether a native or a newcomer, this community should provide for all citizens.

1.Soy un apasionado al conseguir hacer de Colorado Springs un lugar que todos puedan llamar hogar; una ciudad multi-cultural y multi-generacional; una ciudad en donde cada persona vive, trabaja y juega. I'm passionate about making Colorado Springs a place that everybody can proudly call home; a city that is multi-cultural and multi-generational; a city where every person can live, work and play. Aun sea un nativo ó un recien llegado, esta comunidad debe proporcionar para todos sus ciudadanos.

2. Council should ensure that City Planning efforts and grant programs (CDBG, HOME & ESG) are efficiently and effectively coordinated with the efforts of the private sector, our outstanding Non-Profit network, and other Federal and State programs. Creating public/ private partnerships allows us to serve all community members.

2.El Consejo debe asegurarse qué los esfuerzos de Planeación de la Ciudad y los programas de subvención (CDBG, HOME & ESG) sean coordinados eficientemente y efectivamente con los esfuerzos del sector privado, nuestra sobresaliente red de organizaciones no lucrativas, y otros programas Federales y Estatales. Crear sociedades públicas/privadas nos permite servir a todos nuestros miembros comunitarios.

3. As I do, I believe all people have their own inner-faith, but I do not feel I should govern based solely on my faith. Having a religious and cultural diverse community, we must make decisions based on sound information and in the best interest of the broader community.

3.Así como yo, creo que todas las personas tienen su propia fé interior, pero yo no siento que deba gobernar basado solamente en mi fé. Tener una comunidad religiosa y culturalmente diversa, debemos tomar decisiones basadas en información sensata y para el mayor beneficio de la comunidad en general.

4. Yes. We need to remember it is not about what we are, it is about who we are. Every person has basic human rights that should not be denied.

4.Sí. Necesitamos recordar que no es sobre quienes somos. Cada persona tiene derechos humanos básicos que no deben ser negados.

5. Council can work within the existing infrastructure to ensure there is cooperation, communication, and education between the community and law enforcement. In addition, strengthening community bonds and proper urban planning can help reduce urban crime. Race/ethnicity should never be used as the sole basis for probable cause/ reasonable suspicion.

5.El Consejo puede trabajar dentro de la infraestructura existente para asergurar su cooperación, su comunicación, y educacón entere la comunidad y las leyes que enforzan la seguridad. Ademas, fortalecer las uniones comunitarias y la planeación urbana apropiada puede ayudar a disminuir el crimen urbano. La raza/etnicidad nunca deben ser usadas como base única para sospecha razonable/causa probable.

6. The role of the city is to support the documented immigrants in our community and to provide them with the same services as all citizens. The issue of undocumented immigrants is presently being addressed at the State and Federal Levels.

6.El papel de la ciudad es apoyar a los inmigrantes documentados en nuestra comunidad y proporcionarles los mismos servicios que a todos los ciudadanos. El tema de los inmigrantes indocumentados esta siendo tratado en los niveles Federales y Estatales.

7. I would work with the Economic Development Corporation (EDC), the various Chamber organizations, and other interested groups to demonstrate the facts from the studies and highlight successful local companies that promote diversity.

7.Yo trabajaria con la Corporación de Desarrollo Económico (EDC), las varias Camaras de organizaciones, y otros grupos interesados en demostrar los hechos de los estudios y resaltar las compañias locales que promueven la diversidad.

8. First, by promoting awareness of the problem and educating the community on the issue. Second, by ensuring there is cooperation and communication between the public, private and non-profit sectors. Last by working with great programs like DVERT and successful agencies like TESSA.

8.Primero, al promover conciencia del problema y educar a la comunidad sobre el tema. Segundo, al asegurar que exista la cooperación y comunicación entre el público, los sectores privados y no lucrativos. Por ultimo, al trabajar con los programas magnificos como DVERT y agencias exitosas como TESSA.

9. Yes and No. First and foremost, I believe it is the responsibility of the parents to provide information and education, as they deem appropriate. But a comprehensive program should be provided and for any program, parents should have the opportunity to review the material and opt in or out.

9.Sí y No. Primero y principalmente, creo que es responsabilidad de los padres de proporcionar la información y educación, como ellos crean que es apropiado. Pero un programa detallado deber ser proporcionado y para cualquier programa, los padres deben tener la oportunidad de revisar el material y aceptarlo o no.

10. Our outstanding system provides economic benefits by making our community an attractive place to live, it adds to our transportation infrastructure, and it provides for all citizens. It should be a priority, but it must be balanced with the other needs of the city to ensure we provide for all.

10.Nuestro sistema excepcional proporciona beneficios económicos al hacer nuestra comunidad un lugar atractivo para vivir, añade a nuestra infraestructura de transportación, y proporciona para todos nuestros ciudadanos. Deber ser prioridad, pero debe estar balanceado con las otras necesidades de la ciudad para asegurar que proporcionemos para todos.

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1. Colorado Springs is growing! Strong leadership is needed on our City Council to ensure we retain our quality of life–clean air and water, low crime, and recreational and cultural activities. We need to strengthen our airport, increase water delivery systems, support public safety, and improve our infrastructure.

1.¡Colorado Springs esta creciendo! Se necesita un liderazgo fuerte en nuestro Consejo de la Ciudad para asegurar que conservemos nuestra calidad de vida – agua y aire limpio, una disminución en el crimen, y las actividades recreativas y culturales. Necesitamos fortalecer nuestro aeropuerto, aumentar los sistemas que entregan el agua, apoyar la seguridad pública, y mejorar nuestra infraestructura.

2.
- PPRTA has increased transit services
- Urban Redevelopment will help provide affordable housing
- Council supports social programs in budget
- Council approved selling medical building to community health organization and gave nearly $400,000 in support

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- *PPRTA ha aumentado los servicios de tranporte*
- *La Reedificación Urbana ayudara a proporcionar vivienda económica*
- *El consejo apoya a los programas sociales en el presupuesto*
- *El consejo aprobo vender el edificio médico a una organización de salud comunitaria y le dio casi $400,000 en apoyo.*

3. Personal faith shapes my core values and principles. I can compromise on positions, but will not compromise my principles.

3.La fé personal determina mis valores nucleares y mis principios. Puedo efectuar concesiones sobre las posturas, pero no hare concesiones sobre mis principios.

4. No. There are protections in state and federal law. The city should not dictate to private businesses and non-profit organizations who they must hire. The city has an Equal Opportunity plan for city employees.

4.No. Existen protecciones en las leyes estatales y federales. La ciudad no debe dictar a los empresarios privados y a las organizaciones no lucrativas a quienes deben contratar. La ciudad tiene un plan de Igualdad de Oportunidad para los empleados de la ciudad.

5. The CSPD does not practice racial profiling. Our police department has an excellent relationship with our citizens, as demonstrated by the outpouring of support when two officers were killed in the line of duty last year. We have a strong Neighborhood Watch program and practice community oriented policing.

5.El Departamento de Policía de Colorado Springs (CSPD) no practica el perfil racial. Nuestro departamento de policía tiene una relación excelente con nuestros ciudadanos, como se mostro por el apoyo masivo cuando dos oficiales fueron asesinados mientras servian el año pasado. Tenemos un fuerte programa de Vigilancia Comunitaria y lo practicamos.

6. Our country needs to establish a process whereby illegal immigrants can obtain guest worker status. Illegal immigrants place a heavy burden on our ability to provide social services, health care, and education to our citizens. They need to obey our immigration laws and respect the sovereignty of our country.

6.Nuestro país necesita establecer un proceso donde los inmigrantes ilegales puedan obtener un estatus de trabajo para invitados. Los inmigrantes ilegales crean una fuerte carga a nuestra abilidad de proporcionar servicios sociales, el cuidado medico, y la educación para nuestros ciudadanos. Ellos deben obedecer nuestras leyes de inmigración y respetar la soberanía de nuestro país.

7. We have an economically strong city with a diverse business base. Many local businesses offer same sex benefits to their employees. That is their business decision. It is not the role of city council to force any particular belief system on private business.

7.Tenemos una ciudad economicamente fuerte con una base empresarial diversa. Varias empresas locales ofrecen beneficios a sus empleados con parejas del mismo sexo. Esa es su decisión empresarial. No es el papel del consejo de la ciudad forzar un sistema de creencias particular a los empresarios privados.

8. We support the budget presented by the Police Department. There is little that council can directly do in this area other than setting a good example in our personal lives. I have been married for 41 years and have a great relationship with my wife.

8.Nosotros apoyamos el presupuesto presentado por el Departamento de Policía. Es muy poco lo que el consejo puede hacer directamente en esta area aparte de poner un buen ejemplo en nuestras vidas personales. Yo he estado casado por 41 años y tengo una magnifica relación con mi esposa.

9. This is not a function of city council, but rather of a school board. I do believe parents should make the decision for their children as to where and what kind of sex education their children should receive.

9.Esta no es una función del consejo de la ciudad, pero si de un consejo educacional. Creo que los padres deben tomar la decisión por sus hijos acerca de que tipo de educación sexual sus hijos deben de recibir.

10. I supported the TOPS and TOPS extension issues. TOPS provides a dedicated revenue stream which is supplemented by the general fund. The number one priority for local government is public safety. However, trails, open space, and parks are very important to me and add greatly to our quality of life.

10.Yo apoye las cuestiones de TOPS y de extensión de TOPS. TOPS proporciona una entrada de ganancia dedicada la cual es suplementada por el fondo general. La prioridad número uno del gobierno local es la seguridad pública. Sin embargo, los caminos, los espacios abiertos y los parques son muy importantes para mi y añaden mucho a nuestra calidad de vida.

Q&A

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1. What is your vision for the future of Colorado Springs?	**1.** Fresh, leadership committed to the people of the city, and to effective stewardship of our tax dollars. Positive, timely management of current issues that will ensure proactive planning that considers the long-term impacts of decisions. I will ensure active citizen involvement in the decision making and resolution of issues.	*1.Fresco, un liderazgo comprometido con la gente de la ciudad, y responsabilidad efectiva de nuestros dólares para los impuestos. Positivo, cuestiones existentes de gerencia oportuna que asegurara una planeación proactiva que considera los impactos de las decisiones a largo plazo. Yo asegurare la participación activa de los ciudadanos en las cuestiones para tomar decisiones y resoluciones.*	**1.** We must continue to build a community for our children and our grandchildren, one which welcomes all of them, provides quality jobs, safe neighborhoods and parks.	*1.Debemos continuar construyendo una comunidad para nuestros niños(as) y nuestros nietos(as), una en la cual le da la bienvenida a todos ellos, propociona trabajos de calidad, vecindarios seguros y parques.*
2. What steps should the city council take to better serve marginalized community members, such as the working poor and the homeless? What improvements can be made regarding affordable housing, mass transit, and social programs?	**2.** We need to educate the public about the Resource Exchange which disseminates information about the social service agencies available for our citizens. As our city expands, our transit system needs to continually be reevaluated to respond to the needs (housing, transportation, social services) of all our citizens.	*2.Necesitamos educar al público sobre el Intercambio de Recursos los cuales proporcionan información acerca de las agencias de servicio social disponibles para nuestros ciudadanos. Como nuestra ciudad se expande, nuestro sistema de transportación necesita reevaluar las necesidades continuamente para responder a las necesidades (vivienda, transportación, servicios sociales) de todos nuestros ciudadanos.*	**2.** The city is working with local agencies to maximize limited resources to assist the poor and homeless. We continue to work nationally to protect CDBG funds, which provide housing assistance. The RTA facilitates maintenance and expansion of Mountain Metro and FREX so we can provide better service to more people.	*2.La ciudad esta trabajando con las agencias locales para maximizar los recursos limitados para asistir a los pobres y los indigentes. Continuamos trabajando nacionalmente para protejer los fondos CDBG, los cuales proporcionan asistencia de viviendas. El RTA facilita el mantenimiento y la expansión de Mountain Metro y FREX para que podamos proporcionar un mejor servicio para más personas.*
3. Given this city's religious diversity, what role should personal faith play in decision making on city council?	**3.** Faith should not be a specific factor in decisions made by the City Council. In reality though, an individual's personal convictions and moral values influence their judgments.	*3.La fé no debe ser un factor especifico en las deciones tomadas por el Consejo de la Ciudad. En realidad sin embargo, las convicciones individuales personales y la influencia de valores morales influencian su juicio.*	**3.** One can no more separate faith from decision making than one can separate morals or values. In making decisions on Council, I strive to do the greatest good for the greatest number, while protecting the rights of the individual.	*3.Uno no puede separar la fé de las decisiones que se toman como no se pueden separar los valores de la moral. Al tomar decisiones en el Consejo, me esfuerzo en hacer el bien al mayor número de personas, mientras se protejen los derechos del individuo.*
4. Would you support passing the Equal Opportunity ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, military status or physical or mental disability in matters of employment, housing and commercial space, public accommodations, education and health and welfare services within the City of Colorado Springs?	**4.** I support the compliance with, and enforcement of, the laws of the land. I believe in equal opportunity and diversity and consider them basic building-blocks of a strong society.	*4. Yo apoyo el cumplimiento con, y el enforzamiento de, las leyes de la tierra. Creo en la igualdad de oportunidad y diversidad y los considero como los bloques de construcción para una sociedad fuerte.*	**4.** I am not inclined to add another layer of regulation on top of existing federal and state statutes and regulations governing these matters.	*4.Yo no me inclino ha agregar otro estrato de regulación encima de lose estatutos estatales y federales y las regulaciones que gobiernan estos asuntos.*
5. How can city council improve the relationship between citizens and law enforcement personnel, with a goal of reducing urban crime and racial profiling?	**5.** Expand preventive policing programs such as Community Policing, Crime Stoppers, Neighborhood Watch, and School Resource Officers. Police Force diversification. Educate the public and law enforcement on current crime issues such as gangs, internet crimes, and ID theft. Increase responsibility sharing with County, State, and Federal resources.	*5.Expansión preventiva de los programas de vigilancia tales como la Policía Comunitaria, El Alto al Crimen, y la Vigilancia Comunitaria, y los Oficiales de Recursos Escolares. La diversificación de la Fuerza Policiaca. Educar al público y a a las leyes que enforzan la vigilancia sobre temas existentes de crimenes como las pandillas, crimenes cibernéticos, y el robo de identidad. Aumentar la responsabilidad que comparten el Condado, el Estado y los recursos Federales.*	**5.** We already operate community policing practices. Police should work with our citizens to establish a working relationship and partnership. I strongly support diversifying our police force to ensure the police force reflects our community.	*5.Ya operamos practices de vigilancia comunitaria. La policía debe trabajar con nuestros ciudadanos para establecer una relación funcionaria y de sociedad. Y apoyo fuertemente la diversificación de nuestra fuerza policíal para asegurar que la policía refleje nuestra comunidad.*
6. Our community includes a growing immigrant population, many of whom are undocumented. What role should the city have in helping these families integrate with the greater community?	**6.** As compassionate human beings, I believe we must provide necessary medical services. However, as a nation of laws we also need to have our laws complied with.	*6.Como seres humanos compasivos, creo qeu debemos proporcionar servicios medicos necesarios. Sin embargo, como una nación de leyes tenemos que asegurar que nuestras leyes sean cumplidas.*	**6.** Although the city's resources are limited and immigration policy is under the federal government, we can work locally on a human level to assist in meeting the basic need of all our residents.	*6.Aun cuando los recursos de la ciudad son limitados y la póliza de inmigración esta bajo el gobierno federal, podemos trabajar localmente en un nivel humano para ayudar a proporcionar las necesidades básicas de todos nuestros residentes.*
7. Studies show that cities that promote diversity, especially regarding sexual orientation, have greater economic success. How can you use this knowledge to ensure greater economic development of Colorado Springs?	**7.** I am not aware of the referenced studies, but there are studies indicating a relationship between community diversity and economic strength. Diversity is a measurement of community breadth and depth, a good indicator of a strong, resilient, and adaptive community and economy.	*7.Yo no tengo conciencia de los estudios a los cuales se hace referencia, pero hay estudios indicando una relación entre la comunidad diversa y la fortaleza económica. La diversidad es una medida de amplitud e intensidad, un buen indicador de una comunidad y económia fuerte, resistente y adaptable.*	**7.** The city is and will remain actively involved in economic development. We can communicate that our community respects the dignity of all of its residents.	*7.La ciudad es y continuara participando activamente en el desarrollo económico. Podemos comunicar que nuestra comunidad respeta la dignidad de todos nuestros residentes.*
8. What are you going to do, as a city council member, to help end violence against women in this community?	**8.** Violence against women is due to a lack of respect. We need to educate our community to value women. We must enact strong laws and enforce tough penalties against violent offenders. To encourage reporting, we need to offer privacy and care to victims.	*8.La violencia en contra de la mujer se debe a una falta de respeto. Necesitamos educar a nuestra comunidad a valorar a las mujeres. Debemos promover leyes fuertes y enforzar multas fuertes en contra de los delincuentes violentos. A alentar a denunciar, necesitamos ofrecer privacidad y cuidado a las victimas.*	**8.** We should work through community policing efforts and other programs to prevent this violence in the first place. We will continue to support investigation and prosecution of crimes against women and work cooperatively with El Paso County where our programs overlap to assist victims of such violence.	*8.Debemos trabajar a travez de los esfuerzos comunitarios y otros programas para prevenir esta violencia antes de que suceda. Continuaremos apoyando la investigación y el procesamiento de crimenes en contra de la mujer y trabajaremos en cooperativa con el Condado de El Paso donde nuestros programas coinciden para ayudar a víctimas de tal violencia.*
9. Do you support the teaching of comprehensive, medically accurate, sex education, including information about both abstinence & contraception, in public schools?	**9.** Yes, but with parental consent. I believe there is absolute value in sex education, but it is a parental rather than a State decision.	*9.Sí, pero con consentimiento de los padres. Creo que hay valor absolute en la educación sexual, pero es una decisión de los padres no una decisión Estatal.*	**9.** The city has no involvement with or jurisdiction over public school curriculums.	*9.La ciudad no tiene participación ó jurisdicción sobre el curriculum de las escuelas públicas.*
10. What is your view on how trails, open space, and parks contribute to quality of life in Colorado Springs? Should it be a priority for city funding?	**10.** Parks and Open Spaces are vital to our quality of life and the attractions that bring people here. They contribute to our mental and physical health. I am on the Trails and Open Space Coalition Board to help make that happen.	*10.Los Parques y Espacios Abiertos son vitales para nuestra calidad de vida y las atracciones que traen a la gente aquí. Estos contribuyen a nuestra salud mental y física. Yo soy parte de la Coalición del Consejo de Caminos y Espacios Abiertos para asegurar que esto sea así.*	**10.** Trails, open space and parks are vital to our quality of life. I have supported establishing and renewing the TOPS tax and gladly supported the purchase of the Red Rocks open space. On Council I have been a strong advocate of parks and trails funding.	*10.Caminos, espacios abiertos y parques son vitals para nuestra calidad de vida. Yo he apoyado establecer y renovar los impuestos de TOPS y grandemente apoyo la compra del espacio abierto de Red Rocks. En el Consejo he abogado fuertemente por los fondos de los parques y caminos.*

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1. I envision a thriving community with a signature downtown, thoughtful developments that include open space and parks, and a thriving economy that sustains our community.	1.Yo visualize una comunidad prospera con un centro de la ciudad único, con desarrollos muy bien pensados que incluyan espacios abiertos y parques y una económia prospera que sostenga nuestra comunidad.
2. City government alone can't solve all the issues facing our community, but I think we can do a better job of engaging the public in discussions and working together to solve community issues.	2.El gobierno de la Ciudad no puede resolver solo todas las cuestiones que enfrenta nuestra comunidad, pero pienso que podemos hacer un mayor trabajo para atraer el público en discusiones y para trabajar juntos para resolver cuestiones de la comunidad.
3. As a Council person, I will always try to do what's best for Colorado Springs over my personal or political beliefs. If I can't set aside my own personal beliefs for the betterment of this community, then I shouldn't be on City Council.	3.Como persona del Consejo, yo siempre tratare de hacer lo mejor para Colorado Springs por encima de mis creencias políticas y personales. Sí no puedo poner a un lado mis creencias personales para el mejoramiento de esta comunidad, entonces no debe estar en el Consejo de la Ciudad.
4. Yes.But, not as the first decision on Council. I would prefer to wait to see what happens with the State Senate bill 25 which would ban workplace discrimination based on sexual orientation at the state level.	4.Sí. Pero no como la primera decisión en el Consejo. Yo preferiria esperar par aver que pasa con la ley 25 en el Senado Estatal la cual prohibiria la discriminación en el lugar de trabajo basada en la orientación sexual a nivel estatal.
5. The City Council can be a catalyst for discussions between citizens, groups and law enforcement to work together to reduce urban crime. Racial profiling should be closely monitored and reported to City Council when it is identified.	5.El Consejo de la Ciudad puede ser un catalizador para las discusiones entre los ciudadanos, los grupos y las leyes que enforzar la vigilancia para trabajar juntos para reducer el crimen urbano. El perfil racial debe ser vigilado muy de cerca y reportado al Consejo de la Ciudad cuando este es identificado.
6. The City is currently piloting a new state program to validate workers status in the City. Undocumented workers would have a limited amount of time to provide proper documentation. The City can play an active role in helping this population find local resources.	6.Actualmente la ciudad esta poniendo a prueba un programa estatal nuevo para validar el estatus de los trabajadores en la Ciudad. Los trabajadores indocumentados tendran un tiempo límite para proporcionar la documentación apropiada. La Ciudad puede tener un papel activo en ayudar a esta población a encontrar recursos locales.
7. I agree with the studies and will encourage City Council to open discussions to re-brand our community. Local government officials can be the "voice" and set the "tone" and I will work diligently to publicly change the reputation we have received from national news agencies.	7.Yo estoy de acuerdo con los estudios y alentaria al Consejo de la Ciudad a tener discusiones abiertas para darle un nueva marca a nuestra comunidad. Los oficiales del gobierno local pueden ser la "voz" y establecer un "tono" y yo trabajaria diligentemente para cambiar publicamente la reputación que hemos recibido de las agencias de noticieros nacionales.
8. I will be an outspoken supporter of groups such as TESSA. City Council members can take a more direct role in supporting local causes such as violence against women.	8.Yo sere un partidario fuerte de grupos tales como TESSA. Los miembros del Consejo de la Ciudad pueden tomar un papel activo directo en apoyar la causas locales como la violencia en contra de las mujeres.
9. Yes. I believe it is naïve to believe abstinence should be the only sex education option made available in our schools.	9.Sí. Creo que es inocente creer que la abstinencia sea la unica opción de educación sexual disponible en nuestras escuelas.
10. Colorado Springs is blessed with a very unique and glorious environment which we owe to ourselves and future generations to protect. The city must continue to look for ways to provide maintenance for our parks and trail systems and to be sure it's given priority in new developments.	10.Colorado Springs es bendecido con un único y glorioso medio ambiente el cual debemos protejer para nosotros y nuestras generaciones futuras. La ciudad debe continuar buscando maneras de proporcionar mantenimiento para nuestros parques y sistemas de caminos y de asegurar que se les de la prioridad en nuevos desarrollos.

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1. A City which can accommodate our future growth, providing a safe environment for our residents. Our infrastructure must be upgraded to allow our community to continue to grow and prosper.	1.Una ciudad que puede hacer frente al crecimiento futuro, proporcionando un medio ambiente seguro para nuestros residents. Nuestra infraestructura debe ser actualizada para permitirle a nuestra comunidad continuar creciendo y prosperando.
2. As a prior member and chairman of the City of Colorado Springs Housing Authority, low income housing has always been an important component of our community to me. As a City Council member I would continue to encourage the Housing Authority to expand it's services throughout the community.	2.Como miembro previo y presidente del Housing Authority de la ciudad de Colorado Springs, la vivienda para personas de bajos recursos siempre ha sido un componte importante de nuestra comunidad y para mi. Como miembro del Consejo de la Ciudad continuare alentando al Housing Authority a expander sus servicios a travez de la comunidad.
3. Personal faith is a guiding tool for our personal decisions. It will of course play a role in city council decisions for me.	3.La fé personal es una herramiente que guia nuestras decisiones personales. Por supuesto que tendra un papel en mis decisiones en el consejo de la ciudad.
4. Without seeing the context of such an ordinance I do not believe that it is possible for me to respond to this question.	4.Sin ver el contexto de tal ordenanza no creo que me sea posible responder esta pregunta.
5. It is my understanding that the City has taken the position that racial profiling in not permissible. I would support this position.	5.Es mi entendimiento que la Ciudad ha tomado la posición de que el perfil racial no es permitido. Yo apoyaria esta posición.
6. I have not researched this issue and am at this time not prepared to respond to this question.	6.No he investigado esta cuestión y en este momento no estoy preparado para contestar esta pregunta.
7. I am not sure that I agree with the term "greater economic development". "Greater" does not assure "quality economic growth" which must be our goal. Pure number of jobs does not do it. The quality of the jobs is the key to sustained economic growth in our community.	7.Yo estoy muy seguro que estoy de acuerdo con el termino 'un mayor desarrollo económico". "Mayor" no asegura "un crecimiento económico de calidad" lo cual debe ser nuestra meta. El puro número de trabajos no basta. La calidad de trabajos es critico para sustentar el crecimiento económico en nuestra comunidad.
8. I believe that all violent behavior can be limited if children are able to compete with each other in healthy environments, sports, music, educational competitions. These activities teach our children to compete with each other without the tolerance of violence. This is why I believe that parks and recreational facilities are essential to our community.	8.Yo creo que todo comportamiento violento puede ser un límite si los niños(as) pueden competir el uno con el otro en un medio ambiente saludable, en los deportes, la música, y las competencias educacionales. Estas actividades le enseñan a nuestros hijos(as) a competir el uno con el otro sin tolerar la violencia. Por esta razón creo que las instalaciones recreacionales y los parques son esenciales para nuestra comunidad.
9. This is not an issue which is before City Council or likely will ever be before City Council.	9.Este no es un tema que este en el Consejo de la Ciudad ni creo que llegue a estarlo.
10. Parks and recreational facilities should be a priority in funding. I believe that we must provide recreational facilities and organized sports for our youth. This is also very important for the adult's of our community.	10.Las instalaciones recreacionales y los parques deben ser una prioridad en la financiación. Yo creo que debemos proporcionar instalaciones recreacionales y deportes organizados para nuestros jovenes. Esto también es muy importante para los adultos en nuestra comunidad.

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1. In order to guarantee the greatness of Colorado Springs, we need to understand the fiscal impacts and incorporate diversity. I want to see each area of the city a safe and enjoyable place to shop, go to school, play sports, or play in a park.	1. Para poder garantizar la grandeza de Colorado Springs, nosotros necesitamos entender los impactos fiscales e incorporar la diversidad. Yo quiero ver cada area de la ciudad como un lugar seguro y placentero para ir de compras, ir a la escuela, jugar deportes, ó jugar en el parque.
2. I think we need to invest more into affordable housing and provide a multitude of options for the homeless. The city can work with local businesses, state and federal agencies to improve their situation. These families are part of our community and deserve the same attention.	2. Pienso que tenemos que inverter más en la vivienda de bajos recursos y proporcionar una multitude de opciones para los indigentes. La ciudad puede trabajar con empresarios locales, con agencias federales y estatales para mejorar su situación. Estas familias son parte de nuestra comunidad y merecen la misma atención.
3. I believe that personal faith should guide the individual, not government.	3. Creo que la fé personal debe guiar al individuo, no el gobierno.
4. People should not be discriminated against in anyway and I would support legislation that prevents such discrimination, but without knowing the exact resolution before council I could not say yes. While standing against discrimination, we should protect communities of faith from having to take action that contradicts their beliefs.	4. Las personas no deben ser discriminadas de ninguna manera y yo apoyaria la legislación que prevenga cualquier discriminación, pero sin saber la resolución exacta en frente del consejo no podria decir que sí. Aun cuando tengo una posición en contra de la discriminación, debemos protejer nuestras comunidades de fé para que no tomen acción que contradice sus creencias.
5. This last year, we saw a 31% increase in violent crime. This is unacceptable. Our community policing efforts are receiving a little more than lip service and it appears our efforts are primarily focused on traffic violations. We need officers in our neighborhoods preventing crime rather than chasing it.	5. Este año pasado, vimos un aumento del 31% en el crimen violento. Esto es inaceptable. Nuestros esfuerzos de vigilancia *comunitaria estan recibiendo un servicio* pesimo y pareciera que nuestros esfuerzos son primeramente enfocados en violaciones de tráfico. Necesitamos oficiales en nuestros vecindarios que impidan el crimen no que lo persigan.
6. I believe this community and the state should do a better job of integrating documented immigrants, but I am not knowledgeable enough on the subject to recommend specific programs for these legal immigrants.	6. Creo que esta comunidad y el estado deben hacer un mejor trabajo de integrar a los inmigrantes documentados, pero no tengo el suficiente conocimiento sobre el tema para recomendar programas especificos para estos inmigrantes legales.
7. I believe in accepting and promoting diversity, as a whole, can increase economic success. I believe the City needs to reinvest in their commitment to include all views in their Diversity Forum for strategic planning.	7. Yo creo en aceptar y promover la diversidad, en su totalidad, puede aumentar el éxito económico. Creo que la Ciudad necesita reinvertir en su compromiso de incluir todos los puntos de vista en su Foro de diversidad para una planeación estrategica.
8. Our priorities need to shift from traffic enforcement to true community policing. As officers have a presence in our neighborhoods and receive education on how to identify and deal with domestic violence, they can prevent and better prosecute violence against women.	8. Nuestras prioridades deben transladarse de el enforzamiento de tráfico a una vigilancia comunitaria verdadera. Como los oficiales tengan una presencia en nuestros vecindarios y reciban educación sobre como identificar y tratar con la violencia doméstica, ellos podran prevenir y procesar mejor la violencia en contra de las mujeres.
9. Yes. But I do believe that parents should have the option to opt out of the class for their child.	9. Sí. Pero creo que los padres deben tener la decision de que sus hijos(as) asistan o no a la clase.
10. Our trails, open space and parks are an invaluable asset to our community and not only need to be maintained, but expanded. I believe it needs to be a priority for city funding and for developers and builders to better plan as growth occurs.	10. Nuestros caminos, espacios abiertos y parques son una pertenencia inestimable para nuestra comunidad y no solamente necesitan mantenimiento sino expansión. Creo que necesita ser una prioridad para los fondos de la ciudad y para los promotores y construtores para planear mejor como se lleva a cabo el crecimiento.

The Equal Opportunity Ordinance

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requested documentation of the grievance processes in place for LGBT people to access in the event of discrimination based on sexual orientation in matters of City employment, the City's landlord tenant policies, City-run education programs, and City-owned public accommodations. On December 22, 2006, the Pride Center received a letter from the City Attorney's office stating the City Attorney's Office could not provide legal advice to entities other than the City government.

While the City of Colorado Springs and the Pride Center discussed the possibility of a city-wide Equal Opportunity Ordinance, the state and federal governments were at work on similar issues. In September 2006, the Colorado Civil Rights division ruled that transgender people in Colorado are, in fact, covered under "gender" in the state's nondiscrimination policies and laws pertaining to employment, housing, and public accommodations. Additionally, the state of Colorado considered passing a state-wide Employment Nondiscrimination Act (ENDA) for the ninth time. ENDA prohibited all employers from discriminating based on sexual orientation and gender identity (as well as several other factors).The act passed through the Colorado State Legislature several years in a row only to be vetoed by former Governor Bill Owens. ENDA is currently pending in Colorado legislature once again, and sources say it is extremely likely the bill will pass under the newly elected Governor Bill Ritter.

Therefore, if these acts are passed at the state and/or federal levels, LGBT people in the City of Colorado Springs will, without a doubt, have equal protection under the law in matters of employment whether or not City Council passes the Equal Opportunity Ordinance. However, passing the Equal Opportunity Ordinance in order to gain civil equality for LGBT people in Colorado Springs is but one of the goals of the Pride Center and its allies in the Pikes Peak Equality Coalition.

For years, the Pride Center and its progressive allies have argued that while people may have different opinions or religious beliefs, all people—regardless of sexual orientation—deserve equal protection under the law, specifically in matters of employment, housing, and public accommodations. In fact, because of a potential conflict with our country's strongly-held belief in religious freedom, the Equal Opportunity Ordinance purposefully provides exemptions for religious organizations. Whatever one's beliefs may be, statistics show that coming together in providing equal rights is not only the right thing to do, it's good for business.

Companies like Wells Fargo and Starbucks built their wealth on the premise that diversity—and actively promoting diversity through programs and polices—is key to doing good business. At a time when Intel's layoffs have impacted more than 3,000 jobs, it is important for city leaders to consider what is best for the city. Like Wells Fargo and Starbucks, the city of Colorado Springs could benefit economically from promoting diversity in its programs and policies. Has refusing to provide a PrideFest Proclamation brought more jobs to Colorado Springs? Has stripping away health benefits for LGBT City employees strengthened the City in any way?

Passing the Equal Opportunity Ordinance not only provides important protections for the people and taxpayers of Colorado Springs, it sends a message that Colorado Springs—while diverse in its opinions—regards the fundamental rights of all of its citizens as a top priority. This message is essential to building and maintaining a strong economy and a vibrant community.

It is time for Colorado Springs to have a City Council that will take a leading role in strengthening the City's economy and recognizing that actively promoting the diversity of our community is essential to our community's success.

City Council Elections are April 3rd. To see each candidate's stance on passing an Equal Opportunity Ordinance, read their responses beginning on page 2 of this issue!

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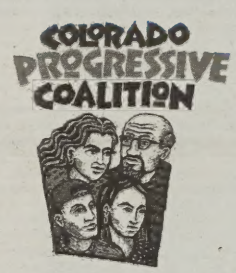

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